IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231	Atty. Dkt.: 550-249
Sir:	Date: July 26, 2001
 pages of specification and claims (includin sheets of accompanying drawing/s. Record the attached assignment and retur Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 	eclaration from prior application, Abstract g 39 numbered claims), and n to the undersigned. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:
reference in this application Please amend the specification by inserting	g the following paragraph before the first line:This application is a
Applicant claims "small entity" status. Please enter the attached and/or below pre Also attached: Information Disclosure	onsider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the listing of that art is attached. "Small entity" statement attached. eliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: Statement: Non-Publication Request: Nucleotide and/or
Amino Acid Sequence Submission; Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; Other: FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED	
FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLE Basic Filing Fee Total effective claims 39 - 20 (at least 20) = Independent claims 9 - 3 (at least 3) = If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and su	\$ 710.00 19 x\$ 18.00 \$ 342.00 6 x\$ 80.00 \$ 480.00 first time, add \$270.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 SUBTOTAL \$ 1532.00 btract -\$(0.00)
Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)	SECOND SUBTOTAL \$ 1532.00 \$ 40.00
Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u> in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A <u>duplicate</u> copy of this sheet is attached.	
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